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JERUSALEM FOR VIETS

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ENRG, PBOR, IS, EG, US

SUBJECT: AMOCO INCIDENT

REF: TEL AVIV 3279, CAIRO 7943

1. FOR CAIRO. ON REFLECTION, WE CONSIDER DISTINCTION
BETWEEN PLOTTING OF POSITIONS OF AMOCO EQUIPMENT, ON ONE
HAND, AND ACCEPTANCE OF ISRAELI DEMARCATION OF MEDIAN LINE,
ON OTHER, IS VALID. THEREFORE, (A) PLEASE INFORM EGYPTIAN
AUTHORITIES THAT IN OUR JUDGMENT AMOCO CAN COOPERATE
DIRECTLY WITH ISRAELIS TO RECONCILE EXISTING TWO SETS OF
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CARTOGRAPHIC FACTS IN CURRENT DIFFICULTY WITH NO PREJUDICE
WHATEVER TO EGYPTIAN OFFICIAL POSITION ON NON-RECOGNITION OF
ISRAELI ASSERTED MEDIAN LINE. (B) SIMULTANEOUSLY, PLEASE
CONVEY THIS VIEW TO AMOCO AND URGE AMOCO SO TO INSTRUCT RIG
CAPTAIN AND TO CONSIDER SENDING REPRESENTATIVE TO RIG
IMMEDIATELY TO ASSIST CAPTAIN IN DISCUSSING LOCATIONS WITH
ISRAELIS.

2. FOR TEL AVIV. YOU SHOULD INFORM ISRAELI AUTHORITIES OF ABOVE INSTRUCTION TO EMBASSY CAIRO AND URGE THAT ISRAEL SEND NONMILITARY EXPERT TO SCENE IMMEDIATELY TO SUPERVISE DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN ISRAELI NAVAL AUTHORITIES AND AMOCO REPRESENTATIVES. YOU SHOULD UNDERLINE THAT SERIOUSNESS OF THIS PROBLEM FROM U.S. VIEWPOINT IS SUCH THAT WE DO NOT WANT TO BE CONFRONTED WITH SITUATION WHERE IT IS CHOICE BETWEEN AMOCO'S WORD VERSUS THAT OF LOW-RANKING ISRAELI NAVAL OFFICER AS TO WHERE RIG'S EQUIPMENT IS LOCATED.
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